

I agree with part of RM-10620, that present ADVANCED class amateur licensees that have held that class for (1.) 20 years or more OR (2.) presently hold or have held a First Class Radiotelephone Operator (Commercial) License be automatically designated as EXTRA class without further examination. These individuals have demonstrated competence. Additionally, this is consistent with the grandfathering of long-time operators to EXTRA class at the time that class was created.

I disagree with RM-10620 in regard to automatic additional privileges for NOVICE class license holders simply on the basis that they have held a NOVICE class license for some number of years. Such persons have demonstrated nothing to show increased competence.